GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2366
ANSWERED ON:01.08.2016
Reimbursement of ST Students' Fee
M. Smt. Vasanthi

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

whether the Government proposes to reimburse the fee of the tribal students getting/seeking admission in prestigious educational institutions in the country as well as abroad and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether the Government has any proposal to set up computer labs. with Internet facility in tribal areas of the country; and
(c) if so, details thereof and action taken by the Government thereon State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR)

(a) Yes madam, this Ministry implements scheme of Top Class Education for ST students under National Fellowship and Scholarship for higher Education of ST students for getting higher education in prestigious educational institutions in the country and Scheme of National Overseas Scholarship for getting higher education abroad. Details of the schemes are available at Annexure.

(b) & (c)This Ministry does not have any such proposals to set up computer labs. with Internet facility in tribal areas of the country

ANNEXURE
Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2366 for answer on 01.08.2016 tabled by SHRIMATI VASANTHI M regarding "Reimbursement of ST Students' Fee".

Scheme of Top Class Education under National Fellowship and Scholarship forhigher Education of ST students: This scholarship is given to 1000 ST students for pursuing studies at degree and Post Graduate level in any of the 158 identified institutions of excellence such as IITs, NIITs, IIMs etc. Scholarships are given every year to meritorious students whose family income does not exceed Rupees 4.5 Lakhs per year. Scholarship amount includes tuition fees, living expenses and allowances for books and computer etc.
National Overseas Scholarship: This scheme provides financial assistance to selected students to pursue Post Graduation, PhD and Post-Doctoral study abroad. There are 17 awards for scheduled tribe students and 3 awards for students belonging to Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups. Selected students are given tuition and other educational fees charged by the foreign universities, maintenance and other grants along with travel expenses. This scholarship is given to the students whose total annual income along with the income of the parents does not exceed Rupees 6 lakhs.
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